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Sole Agents and Contractors.  
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# The Hongkong Telegraph.

ESTABLISHED 1881.

THE UNITED ASBESTOS  
ORIENTAL AGENCY,  
Sole Agents for the  
UNITED ASBESTOS COM-  
PANY, LTD. LONDON.  
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED  
General Managers.

NEW SERIES No. 1393. 日二十月一十年五十二緒光 THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1899. 一四拜禮 號四十月二十年英港

THIRTY DOLLARS  
PER ANNUM.

## Banks.

### THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1886.  
CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ..... Yen 24,000,000  
CAPITAL PAID-UP ..... " 12,000,000  
CAPITAL UNPAID-UP ..... " 12,000,000  
RESERVE FUND ..... " 7,500,000

Head Office—YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies.

TOKIO. KOBE.  
NAGASAKI. LONDON.  
LYONS. NEW YORK.  
SAN FRANCISCO. HONOLULU.  
BOMBAY. SHANGHAI.  
TIENSIN.

LONDON BANKERS:  
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LD.  
PARIS BANK, LD.  
THE UNION BANK OF LONDON, LD.  
HONGKONG AGENCY—INTEREST ALLOWED.  
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.  
per Annum on the Daily Balance.  
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.

S. CHOH,  
Agent.

Hongkong, 4th October, 1899. [132]

### HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... \$10,000,000  
RESERVE FUND ..... \$11,000,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROFITORS \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:  
R. M. GRAY, Esq., Chairman.  
N. A. STILES, Esq., Deputy Chairman.  
David Meyer Moses, Esq.  
E. Goetz, Esq.  
A. Haupt, Esq.  
R. H. Hill, Esq.  
The Hon. J. J. Keswick, Esq.  
A. McConachie, Esq.  
A. J. Raymond, Esq.  
P. Schuch, Esq.  
R. H. Shaw, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER:  
HONGKONG—SIR THOMAS JACKSON.  
MANAGER:  
SHANGHAI—J. P. WARD GARDNER, Esq.  
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:  
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.  
per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:  
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per Annum.  
For 6 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per Annum.  
For 12 months, 4 1/2 per cent. per Annum.  
THOMAS JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 16th October, 1899. [9]

### HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 PER CENT. per annum.  
Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,  
T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [10]

### THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital ..... 1,000,000  
Paid up Capital ..... 324,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Board of Directors:  
Chan Kit Shan, Esq.  
Chow Tung Shang, Esq.  
D. Gillies, Esq.  
Kwan Hei Chuen, Esq.  
J. T. Laus, Esq.  
Chief Manager,  
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed ..... 5 %  
Hongkong, 30th May, 1899. [8]

### THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.  
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP ..... £800,000  
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS ..... £800,000  
RESERVE FUND ..... £500,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT ACCOUNT at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the Daily Balances.  
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.

T. H. WHITEHEAD,  
Manager, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1898. [31]

### IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Shanghai-Tsels.  
SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL ..... 5,000,000  
PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... 2,500,000

Head Office—SHANGHAI.

Branches and Agencies.  
CANTON. PEKING.  
CHEFOO. SINGAPORE.  
CHINKIANG. SWATOW.  
FOOCHOW. TIENSIN.  
HANKOW.

THE Bank purchases and receives for collection Bills of Exchange drawn on the above places, and Sells Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

Advances made on approved securities. Bills discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS:  
3 1/2 per Annum Fixed Deposits for 3 months.  
4 1/2 per Annum Fixed Deposits for 6 months.  
5 1/2 per Annum Fixed Deposits for 12 months.

E. W. RUTLER,  
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 21st November, 1899. [127]

## Intimations.

### PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STEAMERS CAPTAINS TO SAIL REMARKS

PLYMOUTH, &c., Japan ..... G. K. Wright, R.N.R. .... Noon, 16th Dec. .... Freight or Passage.  
SHAI & JAPAN, Bombay ..... G. M. Montford, R.N.R. .... About 16th Dec. .... Freight or Passage.  
LONDON, &c., Socotra ..... T. H. Hide, R.N.R. .... About 28th Dec. .... Freight only.  
LONDON, &c., Coromandel ..... F. W. Vibert, R.N.R. .... Noon, 23rd Dec. .... Freight or Passage.  
SHANGHAI ..... C. Gadd ..... About 23rd Dec. .... Freight or Passage.

(See Special Advertisement).

For Further Particulars apply to.

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1899. [5]

### IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.

STEAM FOR  
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, NAPLES,  
GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN, HAMBURG,  
PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS.  
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON,  
AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

Steamers will call at SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers and Luggage.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the Principal Places in Russia.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.  
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS. SAILING DATES.  
PRINZ HEINRICH ..... WEDNESDAY, 27th December.  
PREUSSEN ..... WEDNESDAY, 10th January.  
KARLSRUHE ..... WEDNESDAY, 24th January.  
SACHSEN ..... WEDNESDAY, 7th February.  
OLDENBURG ..... WEDNESDAY, 21st February.  
BAVERN ..... WEDNESDAY, 7th March.  
STUTTGART ..... WEDNESDAY, 21st March.  
KONIG ALBERT ..... WEDNESDAY, 4th April.  
WEIMAR ..... WEDNESDAY, 18th April.  
PREUSSEN ..... WEDNESDAY, 2nd May.  
HAMBURG (Hamburg Amerika Linie) ..... WEDNESDAY, 16th May.  
PRINZ HEINRICH ..... WEDNESDAY, 30th May.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 27th day of December, 1899, at NOON, the Steamship "PRINZ HEINRICH" of the NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain H. Supner, with MAIL, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 25th December, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 p.m., on TUESDAY, the 26th December. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50 and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess. Linen can be washed on board.

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & CO.,  
AGENTS.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1899. [1394]

### HONGKONG HOTEL.

NEW ROOMS.

At Moderate Daily Rates.

Telephone 75.

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### SALES

ACCELERATED by Competition and POPULARITY.

DAILY INCREASING

ON ACCOUNT OF

UNIFORM QUALITY,

AND

PERMANENCY

OF RESULTS.

TERMS FROM

Watkins, Limited,

Sole Consignees,

SCHLITZ BEER.

UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY, LIMITED.

SOLE AGENTS IN

HONGKONG, CHINA, JAPAN, AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS,

FOR THE

UNITED ASBESTOS CO., LD., LONDON,

CONTRACTORS TO H.M. GOVERNMENT.

MANUFACTURERS OF THE

BEST QUALITIES OF ASBESTOS GOODS AND PACKINGS.

HYDRAULIC and SELF LUBRICATING PUMP PACKINGS. of all kinds.

"VICTOR" METALLIC BOILER JOINTS.

ASBESTOS SALAMANDER BOILER COVERING COMPOSITION of the best qualities.

ESTIMATES given for every DESCRIPTION of WORK.

CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT.....THOMAS SKINNER.

SUPERINTENDENT.....ARCHIBALD RITCHIE.

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Managers.

Hongkong, 31st October, 1899. [27]

### PEAK HOTEL

AND

CRAIGIEBURN.

THE PEAK HOTEL is situated at VICTORIA GAP, adjoining the TRAMWAY TERMINUS, 1,350 feet above sea level.

CRAIGIEBURN is situated at PLUNKETT'S GAP, five minutes walk from the PEAK HOTEL.

Fine Healthy location, variety of beautiful scenery. Cool Southerly breezes in Summer with perfect protection against the North East Winds in Winter.

Well appointed rooms, attentive service and excellent Cuisine.

CITY OFFICE, 7, Duddell Street.

Hongkong, 31st October, 1899. [28]

### VICHY WATER.

CÉLESTINS.

JUST LANDED.

A FRESH SUPPLY OF

THIS WELL KNOWN AND EXCELLENT WATER.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & CO.,

WINE AND SPIRIT MERCHANTS.

ENGLISH ALES.

IND COOPES per Cask of 8 doz. Pts. .... \$15

BASS Do. .... \$17

H. PRICE & Co.,

12, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1899. [20]

### THE CLUB HOTEL, LIMITED.

No. 5-B, BUND, YOKOHAMA.

A FIRST-CLASS HOTEL Centrally situated, well furnished and supplied with excellent Cuisine and Good Wines.

The Company's Steam Launch attends the arrival and departure of all Mail Steamers.

Special attention paid to the Comfort of Visitors.

E. V. SIOEN, Manager.

Yokohama, 1st October, 1897. [36]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

PORTLAND CEMENT.

\$5 per Cask of 375 lbs. Net ex-Godown.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,

General Manager.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1899. [1534a]

TUITION IN DANCING.

M. A. HAHN'S DANCING CLASSES

will re-commence on 1st November next.

Intending Pupils are respectfully requested to send their Applications Early in order that Time and Terms may be arranged.

A. HAHN,

No. 10, Ice House Street.

Hongkong, 21st October, 1899. [1332a]

## Entertainments.

CONCERT.

SATURDAY, the 16th December, 1899,

at 9.30 P.M.

IN AID OF

"THE KOWLOON INSTITUTE"

and

"THE STAR COFFEE HOUSE"

The following Ladies and Gentlemen have kindly consented to assist at the above Concert.

Messrs. Badesley, Buttanshaw, Campbell, Sculford, and Vallings, and

Dr. Rieloff and Messrs. Ardron, Barrett, De Calo, Fleet, Grace, C. Schröder, H. A. Siebs, and Maestro Galuzzi.

Tickets may be obtained from the Comptroller at the City Hall, on MONDAY, the 11th December, and the following days, between 10 A.M. and 4 P.M.

Front Seats (Reserved) Two Dollars.

Back Seats One Dollar.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1899. [1514a]

### THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

THE HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB

will give

TWO PERFORMANCES

of the

LAUGHABLE FARCE

entitled

"MOTHER-IN-LAW"

IN THREE ACTS

by

TALFOURD TWIGG, Esq.,

on

THURSDAY, 21st December, 1899,

SATURDAY, 23rd December, 1899,

Commencing Each Evening at 9 p.m. precisely.

Dress Circle, \$3. Stalls, \$2. Pit, \$1.

Half-price to Pitt for Soldiers, Sailors and Police in Uniform.

Tickets can be obtained at the Booking Office of the Theatre, City Hall, on and after MONDAY, 18th December, at 10 a.m.

Booking Office will be Open daily from that date from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

Late Trains will run 1/2 hour after the fall of the curtain.

H. C. NICOLLE,

Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1899. [1498a]

### THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

A

GRAND ENTERTAINMENT

will be given on

SATURDAY, the 6th January, 1900,

in the

THEATRE ROYAL,

at 9 P.M.

In Aid of the

SOUTH AFRICAN FUND.

Under the Patronage of

H.E. Sir HENRY & Lady BLAKE

H.E. Major-General & Mrs. GASCOIGNE,

Commodore & Mrs. POWELL,

and all the

Leading Citizens.

Full Particulars Later.

Hongkong, 12th December, 1899. [1498a]



# Today's Advertisements.

## CONCERT.

AT ST. ANDREW'S HALL, CITY HALL,  
SATURDAY,  
16th December, 1899, at 9.20 P.M.

IN AID OF  
"THE KOWLOON INSTITUTE"  
AND  
"THE STAR COFFEE HOUSE"

### PROGRAMME.

- 1.—Song "The Gallant Salamander" Bernard.  
Mr. A. Barrett, H.K.R.
- 2.—Song "Ask nothing more"  
Mrs. Vallings.
- 3.—Song "The Jew Song" (Faust). Gnomed.  
Mr. A. F. Lee.
- 4.—Song "The Jewel Song" (Faust). Gnomed.  
Madame Scullford.
- 5.—Song "The Bedouin Love Song" Pinsuti.  
Mr. C. H. Grace.
- 6.—Violin Duo (1) "Sonatina" ..... Weber.  
(2) "Nocturne" ..... Gabyssi.  
Mr. C. Schroter and Mr. H. A. Siebs.  
Piano Maestro Galuzzi.
- 7.—Song "Love could I only tell thee"  
Mr. G. H. Ardron.
- 8.—Song "The Swallows" F. H. Cowen.  
Mrs. Badley.
- 9.—Song "Orcel de Fata" ..... L. Denza.  
Mr. R. De Cato.
- 10.—Song "Say Yes" Guy d'Haddou.  
Mr. W. W. Campbell.
- 11.—Duet "Hamlet" ..... A. Thomas.  
Madame Scullford and R. De Cato.
- 12.—Recitation  
The Hon. H. E. Pollock.

TICKETS may be obtained from the Comptroller  
at the CITY HALL, between 10 A.M. and  
4 P.M.

FRONT SEATS (Reserved) Two Dollars.  
BACK SEATS One Dollar.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1899. [15514]

## REGATTA HOLIDAYS.

THE Undermentioned BANKS will be  
CLOSED for the transaction of Public  
Business, on TUESDAY, 19th DECEMBER,  
the 19th and 20th instants, at 11.15 A.M.  
respectively.

For the CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,  
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA,  
T. H. WHITEHEAD.

For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING  
CORPORATION,  
T. JACKSON,  
Chief Manager.

For the NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,  
LIMITED,  
G. W. F. PLAYFAIR,  
Chief Manager.

For the MERCHANT BANK OF INDIA,  
LIMITED,  
JOHN THURBURN,  
Manager, Hongkong.

For the BANQUE DE L'INDO-CHINE,  
Hongkong Agency,  
L. BERINDOAGUE,  
Acting Manager.

For the BANK OF CHINA & JAPAN, LIMITED,  
HONGKONG,  
CHANTREY INCHBALD,  
Manager.

For the YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED,  
S. CHOH,  
Agent.

For the IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA,  
E. W. RUTTER,  
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1899. [15501]

## CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR NINGPO.  
THE Company's Steamship

"SZECHUEN,"  
Captain Hall, will be despatched as above  
on SATURDAY, the 16th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1899. [15524]

## CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.  
THE Company's Steamship

"SINGAN,"  
Captain Jamieson, will be despatched as above  
on SATURDAY, the 16th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1899. [15524]

## CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, P. I. A. MOY.  
THE Company's Steamship

"SUNGKIANG,"  
Captain Moore, will be despatched as above  
on SUNDAY, the 17th inst.

The attention of Passengers is directed to  
the Superior Accommodation offered by this  
Steamer. The vessel is fitted throughout with  
Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1899. [15524]

## AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, FIUME, PORT SAID,  
ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG,  
AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"GISELA,"  
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby  
informed that the Goods are being landed at  
their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong  
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company,  
Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

This vessel brings Cargo  
From Trieste, ex S.S. Imperatrice transhipped  
at Bombay.

Optional Cargo will be discharged here unless  
notice to the contrary be given immediately.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods  
have left the Godowns, and all claims must be  
sent in to the Office of the Undersigned before  
Noon on the 21st instants, or they will not be  
recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any  
Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 21st  
instants will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
SANDER, WIELER & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1899. [15534]

# Intimation.



A. S. WATSON & Co.,  
LIMITED.

AS USUAL AT THIS SEASON OF

THE YEAR WE ARE

OFFERING

FOR SALE AN UNIQUE

SELECTION OF THE FINEST

AND BEST

CONFECTIONERY.

FROM THE

SIMPLEST QUALITY

TO THAT OF THE MOST RECHERCHE

DESCRIPTION.

IMPORTED FROM THE LEADING

LONDON AND PARISIAN

HOUSES.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,

LIMITED,

THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

## BIRTH.

On the 13th December, at Shameen, (Can-  
ton), the wife of HANS SCHUBART, of a  
daughter. [15524]

# The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1899.

## NOTES AND COMMENTS.

In response to FINE PLAY's letter published  
in another column, in which he takes objection  
to the strictures passed in our leader  
yesterday, on the performances of Generals  
WHITE and GUYARD in South Africa, we  
ask leave to point out that the primary  
object of our article was to call attention to  
the different manner in which Naval and  
Military Officers are treated when from any  
cause, (fault or misfortune) they fail of  
success in the performance of their respective  
duties. A sailor gets his ship on shore in a  
dense fog, or a dangerous and wholly  
unsurveyed coast, or loses her in a tremen-  
dous storm, or by fire or explosion. It  
matters not how palpably excusable he may  
be, he is nevertheless put upon his trial, and  
has to submit his conduct to the examination  
of a competent Court of his equals and  
seniors, and to show that he took all proper  
precautions, exercised a sound judgment,  
availed himself of all resources  
of nautical science, and of seamanship  
skill, and if he has failed or fallen short in  
any respect of what might reasonably and  
properly be expected of him under the cir-  
cumstances he is reprimanded or punished,  
as the justice of the case requires and his  
trial and condemnation are public, and open  
to public criticism. Not only has the sailor  
to justify his actions in the incident, but he  
has to show that he is in no way to blame  
for the happening of the incident, and that  
all previous precautions were taken to avoid  
the danger. He must if his ship has gone  
ashore in a fog or on a dangerous coast,  
show that he was rightfully where he was;  
that there were proper lookouts, careful  
sounding, accurate observation, while ob-  
serving was possible, careful calculation of  
position and adequate checking of one  
source of information by another. A General  
Officer in a difficult country, but little  
known, with a hostile population all around  
him, with an extremely mobile enemy in front  
of him; having to depend entirely on guides;  
marching at night in column of fours into an  
ambush, and losses practically a battalion of  
men and three guns, and there is not even  
an enquiry. He should, at the first  
convenient opportunity be put upon his  
trial, and compelled to justify his move  
and his method of effecting it, as well as  
his conduct in the actual battle. It is useless  
to say that his Military Superiors will do all  
this, and will punish him if he has merited  
punishment, but such enquiry is not judicial,  
is not public, and is purely discretionary,  
and administrative. If a Naval Officer loses  
his ship, the public may well suspend  
judgment till after the court martial. When  
as in the Army there is no tribunal to  
determine, the public will take judgment  
into its own hands. General WHITE was  
on his own showing, guilty of a serious  
military blunder. He lost men and material  
by it.—he injured British prestige by  
it, and proportionately aided and encouraged  
the enemy. His subsequent gallant deeds  
and more recent successes, may induce us  
to attribute his blunder to an error of judgment,  
and to acquit him of want of skill or  
knowledge, but he should equally have  
been held to account.

Military operations are largely a chapter  
of accidents, and misfortunes of one kind  
or another are unavoidable, but that is  
far more true of Naval operations, yet  
every Naval Officer has to account for  
his actions, and show that they were  
unavoidable, by the exercise of any reason-  
able degree of skill and care.

As for General GUYARD, we can only say  
that he seems to us to have been in the  
position of the Captain of a ship, who  
navigating in dangerous waters, on a dark  
night and with a possibly traitorous pilot loses  
his ship? He ought certainly to be called  
to show that his movement was either  
necessary or unavoidable and that every  
possible precaution was taken by him in  
view of the unknown dangers and the un-  
trustworthy guides. Who ever heard of a  
naval officer escaping because he had trusted  
to a pilot? We would like to add in con-  
clusion, and most military men will agree  
with us, that if the operations during the  
recent fighting on the northwest frontier of  
India, had been made the subject of judicial  
enquiry in all cases of failure, at the time  
there would have been fewer mistakes made in South  
Africa now.

In referring to Admiral BYSS there  
was no intention to impute cowardice  
to any of our officers. BYSS whatever  
the charge, may have been, was no  
coward and was not shot for cowardice, but  
for an error of judgment in not pressing his  
advantage to the utmost and doing all he  
might have done to destroy the enemy.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

TO-MORROW afternoon on the Happy Valley,  
in the first round for the Hongkong Football  
Challenge Shield D Company, R. W. F., will  
play H Company, R. W. F. Kick-off at four  
o'clock.

THE further hearing of the Lamna Piracy case  
was gone into before Mr. Gompertz this after-  
noon at the Magistracy. After the evidence of  
six or seven Chinamen had been taken the  
prisoners were committed for trial.

WE would draw our readers' attention to the  
advertisement appearing in our columns to-day  
of the concert which is to be given on Saturday  
next in aid of the Kowloon Institute and "Star"  
Coffee House. The very excellent programme  
which appears, from this notice, to have been  
arranged, should insure a good attendance,  
whilst the well demonstrated vocal ability of  
those who are rendering their services on this  
occasion guarantees us a most enjoyable  
evening.

THE Cricket match on Saturday is between  
Longs and Shorts. The following are the  
teams and the match begins at 11.30 a.m.

Longs.	Shorts.
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Owing to the great number of cases  
brought up daily at the Magistracy, H. E.  
the Governor, upon the strength of re-  
presentations from Mr. Gompertz, of the  
increasing pressure of work upon him,  
appointed another Magistrate to assist him  
in dealing with minor ones. This morning Mr.  
Hallifax, the newly appointed Magistrate took his  
seat on the bench in the smaller court and tried  
several of the offenders, amongst whom was  
George Gerning, a Portuguese seaman, charged  
with being drunk and disorderly. Prisoner  
admitted the charge and 20 previous convictions  
for drunkenness, and being a rogue and  
vagrabond. Government will now find him  
board and lodging for the next two months.

## REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

### THE WAR.

LONDON, December 12th.

A Pretoria despatch says that 672 pri-  
soners and three guns were taken at the  
Stormberg fight, and that Commandant  
Cronjé maintained his position on the Mod-  
der River on Sunday night and took fifty  
prisoners.

The Colenso railway bridge has been  
blown up.

### The German Navy.

A bill has been presented in the Reichstag  
for doubling the German Navy.

### LATER.

### The War.

#### Another Successful Sortie.

General White reports that on Sunday  
night Colonel Metcalfe with 500 of the Rifle  
Brigade made a sortie from Ladysmith and  
reaching the crest of Surprise Hill, undis-  
covered, scattered the enemy and destroyed  
a big howitzer. Returning, the Boers barred  
the way, but the British forced a passage at  
the point of the bayonet and inflicted con-  
siderable loss on the Boers. The British  
casualties were Lieut. Ferguson and ten men  
killed, Capt. Paley, Lieut. Bond and  
Davenport and forty men wounded. The  
Boers lost one killed and one wounded.

## WAR NEWS FROM JAPAN EXCHANGES.

### NEW DETAILS OF THE FIGHT NEAR KIMBERLEY.

During the momentary lull in the fighting in  
Natal comes news from the western border  
which temporarily shifts the scene of chief  
interest to the beleaguered British force at  
Kimberley. The sharp struggle there Tues-  
day appears to have been the result of a sortie,  
with the view of breaking the cordon surround-  
ing the place. The British, apparently so  
strong, met 700 Boers, and, according to the  
official and other accounts, routed them after  
severe fighting, in which the armored trains  
appear to have done valuable service. The  
Boers were entrenched strongly seven  
miles northward, and the British brilliantly  
carried the enemy's position without serious  
loss. It is said that the Boers twice unfairly  
used a white flag. Both, who was among the  
killed, was a member of the Volksraad  
and a famous Dutch fighter. He distin-  
guished himself as a marksmen at Breckhorst-  
spruit, when the "Ninety-fourth" British

Regiment was moved down. He afterwards  
defended a farmhouse against the British.  
When he surrendered the farmhouse Boers  
were found with five wounds and bled to  
death. A special dispatch from Cape Town  
to-day gives details of the defeat of 700 Boers  
by the British at Riverton, north of Kimberley.  
Wednesday, in which the enemy was com-  
pletely routed, with heavy loss, the British loss  
being three men killed and twenty men, in-  
cluding two officers, wounded. This is prob-  
ably the same fight, though a different date  
is given, as referred to in the Cape Town  
dispatch of yesterday in which it was said that  
official reports from Kimberley on Tuesday  
announced that Colonel Scott-Turner, with  
270 men, had an engagement with the Boers,  
during which a detachment of 150 men of the  
Lancashire regiment distinguished itself and  
the armored trains did good service. The  
Boers were unable to withstand the  
splendid charge of the Lancashires, who  
cleared the hill occupied by the enemy at the  
point of the bayonet. The Boer losses are de-  
scribed as very heavy. Colonel Scott-Turner's  
force consisted of the local volunteers, who,  
with the Lancashires, completed the rout of the  
burghers after Monday's artillery had driven  
them out of their intrenchments. The fight  
lasted four hours. Before the British sortie  
Kimberley was apparently in high spirits, as  
a dispatch from there dated October 23rd says  
every one was cheerful there at that time and  
that a wedding was celebrated there that day.  
The dispatch adds: "Great enthusiasm has  
been aroused here by the news of the British  
success in Natal. Several farmers in the  
neighborhood of Kimberley have been noticed  
in the ranks of the Boers. A letter from Father  
Rorke said 500 Boers, with 100 wagons, were  
haunted at Taungs. All the whites have left  
except the women who sought refuge in the  
convent. The Boer commandant has promised  
to protect them."

### The Kaiser's Congratulations.

The fact that President Kruger did not  
receive birthday congratulations this year from  
Emperor William is commented upon regret-  
fully by a number of papers. There are, more-  
over, other evidences of sympathy with the  
Boers. "Subscription lists are being circulated  
on the Boer to raise money for the equipment  
of ambulance wagons, and a Transvaal central  
committee is forming to collect funds for the  
same purpose. The first Boer success is com-  
mented upon sympathetically by the German  
press. The leading military organ, the  
"Allgemeine Wochenschrift," says: "Great  
Britain underestimates the strength of the Boer  
forces, which is 60,000 men, well equipped. She  
will need 150,000 thoroughly to subdue them."

### General Buller will be Supreme.

War, so often predicted in these dispatches  
as being the inevitable climax to hopeless  
things, has come at last and is now in full  
swing for the subjugation of the little republic  
whose whole military sun sets and rises at  
Majuba hill. Great Britain has set going  
machinery more powerful than that which  
crushed Napoleon and twice as strong as that  
which gave her Egypt and Soudan. General  
Buller has gone, and already the  
Boer bullets have sung out desperate defiance.  
That the next few weeks will be marked by  
sharp fighting can be taken for granted. That  
the result will probably be for a time not too  
favorable to the British is also to be admitted.  
The main question is how long the hostilities  
to last. The ultimate English victory is almost  
assured by virtue of overwhelming strength.

A forecast of the length and nature of the  
campaign should not be ventured without know-  
ledge of an extraordinary circumstance com-  
municated on most reliable authority, though  
hitherto not printed in England, namely that  
General Buller has gone to take entire control  
of the South African situation. He will be as  
absolute as was Wellington, and less hampered  
than was Kitchener. Therefore, not only the  
conduct of the war lies in his discretion, but  
also virtually the future of all South Africa, and  
no prognostications are of value without first  
taking into consideration his personal character  
for obstinacy and frankness, traits responsible  
for the position he has attained.

Two months ago the Secretary of State for  
War, the Marquis of Lansdowne, offered Sir  
Redvers Buller a post-bank refusal unless the  
War Office would guarantee him between  
60,000 and 70,000 men. He is quoted as having  
said on that occasion: "I shall not be handed  
down in history as another Sir George Colley."

The reference was, of course, to the defeat at  
Majuba Hill. He also said that if he were to  
go it must be on the distinct understanding that  
he could select his own staff, and would be  
entirely uninterfered with by the War Office.  
His request regarding the staff, it is said, was  
prompted by his suspicion that Lord Wolseley  
would attempt to pay off old scores by forcing  
upon him staff officers antagonistic to him.  
Lord Lansdowne, however, but the stronger  
man prevailed, and Buller, having gained all  
the points he coveted, accepted the supreme  
command.

Prior to Lord Lansdowne's assent, General  
Buller freely expressed the opinion that when  
he had driven the Boers into a corner, his hand  
might be stayed by a peace-loving public or a  
well-intentioned War Office—a condition of  
things he could not tolerate, for, as he ex-  
pressed it, his hand was "not one of those that  
once put to the plough releases its grip."

It appears that both the Queen and the  
Cabinet practically acquiesced in his demand,  
although, of course, retaining a nominal con-  
trol, scarcely worth the name. Buller is pretty  
certain to cut the wires behind him, and to be  
out of touch with London at critical moments,  
for fear the Cabinet might change its mind.

It is this man, then, who some of his own  
officers do not hesitate to call a brute, however  
much they admire his determination, who holds  
the destiny of the Transvaal and the Orange  
Free State in his hand. He knows the Boers  
and he hates them. He has campaigned over  
the whole present battle-ground and is above  
all, a soldier from head to foot. As soon  
as he reaches South Africa he will inaugurate  
a campaign of aggressiveness such as the  
world has seldom seen, but which he believes  
justifiable by virtue of his own superior force.  
The sternest measures will not be too stern  
for him, and until the last vestige of Dutch  
power, whether in the Transvaal, the Orange  
Free State, or Cape Colony is swept out, he  
will not stay his hand. The idea is well illus-  
trated by Sir John Tenniel's cartoon in this  
week's Punch, representing John Bull saying  
"As you will fight, you shall have it this time.  
It is fight to the finish."

General Buller's mission is nearly in keeping  
with the spirit of the Colonial Office. Rightly  
or wrongly, believing war to be the only possi-  
ble means of solving the Transvaal trouble,  
those officials have made no attempt to con-  
ceal their satisfaction at receiving the ultimatum  
from President Kruger, thus enabling them  
to place the onus of the war on the Boers.  
The only thing that surprises an impartial  
observer is that the Transvaal President did  
not adopt this course before England's re-en-  
forcements arrived. The only explanation of  
his failure to do so lies in the report that he  
overestimated the strength of the British peace  
party.

Once General Buller gets to work, it is be-  
lieved, the Boers will offer little organized  
resistance. Something depends, of course

upon the success they may achieve in the  
interim, but the life insurance companies are  
only asking an extra premium of 5 pence as a  
war risk in other words, placing the odds at  
20 to 1. This does not apply to South African  
irregulars, fighting side by side with the  
regulars, but it is said that the Boers will show  
them no quarter. This, it is hard to believe,  
when it is recalled with what unusual humanity  
the Boers treated the English prisoners during  
the previous war.

Speaking of the war of 1881, it should be  
remembered that General Colley's entire force  
amounted to less than 200 men, while the  
Boers had nearly 12,000. General Sir George  
Stewart White, the British Commander in  
Natal, is not likely to fall into General Colley's  
mistake of a premature advance. In fact, it is  
rather presumed that General White, knowing  
the tremendous extent of the re-enforcements  
on the way, will remain on the defensive rather  
than risk a doubtful engagement.

Although General Buller has gone, most of the  
Admiralty has finally fixed upon October 20th  
that the first draft leaves from Southampton.  
On October 23rd another 25th there will be en-  
barkations of four large contingents of men and  
equipment at Tilbury. These two ports will  
be the only outlets of any importance.—*Japan  
Daily Herald.*

## The "China Gazette's" Special Cable Service.

THE BOER POSITION AT SPYTFONTEIN.

COLONIAL, December 9th.  
The Boer position at Spytfontein (where  
General Cronjé has his forces entrenched to  
oppose General Methuen's advance to Kimber-  
ley) consists of a rocky line of kopjes, running  
eastward and ending on Kimberley Road. They  
have no second position.

## Lord Methuen Receives Valuable Reinforcements.

The British forces on the Modder River have  
received valuable reinforcements in the shape  
of a battery of Horse Artillery, the Twelfth  
Lancers and a pontoon bridge (with section of  
the Royal Engineers) to be used in crossing the  
Modder River, West of the railway line.

## A Successful Raid in Bechuanaland.

THE BOERS SURPRISED IN LAAGER.  
Colonel Holdsworth with 100 (one hundred)  
men of the Bechuanaland Mounted Police left  
Machudi, (a station on the Cape-Bulawayo  
Railway, about 120 miles north of Mafeking),  
on the 10th (twenty-fourth) November, and  
on succeeded in surprising the Boers laagered at  
Sekwani, on the border of Bechuanaland and  
the Transvaal, in the early morning.  
Colonel Holdsworth's small force succeeded in  
driving the Boers out of their shelter, killing  
eight of the enemy.  
British casualties nil.

## Lord Methuen's Advance.

HEAVY FIGHTING ON THE MODDER RIVER.  
LONDON, December 9th.  
There is a renewal of heavy fighting on the  
Modder River where the Boers are opposing  
Lord Methuen's advance.

## His Communications Cut.

The enemy have smashed up the railway and  
cut the telegraph lines in Lord Methuen's rear.

## The Rebellion in the Cape.

The rebellion of the Cape Boers is extending.

## Waiting for Guns.

The reason given for the delay of the British  
advance in Natal is that the forces there are  
waiting the arrival of guns, (doubtless guns of  
equal calibre to the Boers' big siege guns at  
Ladysmith are meant).

## Ladysmith Impregnable.

It is now believed that the position of Sir  
George White at Ladysmith is impregnable.

## Small Losses by the Siege.

The total losses amongst the British at  
Ladysmith since the siege began have been 31  
killed and 145 wounded.

## HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

This afternoon a meeting of the Hong-  
kong Legislative Council was held in the  
Council Chamber at the Government Offices,  
there being present His Excellency the Gov-  
ernor (Sir Henry Blake, G.C.M.G.), His  
Excellency Major-General Gascoigne, C.M.G.  
(Commanding the troops), the Hon. J. H.  
Stewart Lockhart, C.M.G. (Colonial Secretary),  
the Hon. H. E. Pollock (Attorney-  
General), the Hon. R. Murray Rumney  
(Harbour Master), the Hon. F. H. May C.M.G.  
(Captain Superintendent of Police), the Hon. C.  
M. Thomson (Colonial Treasurer), the Hon. C.  
H. Christie, the Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, the Hon. T.  
H. Whitehead, the Hon. E. R. Bellios, C.M.G.,  
the Hon. Wei A. Yut, Mr. R. F. Johnston  
(Acting Clerk of Councils). The Clerk of  
Council read the minutes of the last meeting







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of the United States or Canada. Rates, and  
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sation at San Francisco for China or Japan  
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not apply to through fares for China and Japan  
to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to  
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Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-  
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For further information as to Freight or  
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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1899. [13]

## THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL

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STEAM FOR

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THE Steamship

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Captain F. W. Vibert, R.N.R., carrying Her  
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for BOMBAY, &c., on SATURDAY, the 23rd  
instant, at Noon, taking Passengers and  
Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuables, all Cargo for France,  
and Tea for London (under arrangement) will  
be transhipped at Calcutta into a steamer  
proceeding direct to Marseilles and London;  
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via Bombay with Transshipment.

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P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and  
Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note  
the terms and conditions of the Company's  
Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars apply to  
H. A. RITCHIE,  
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 9th December, 1899. [1]

## Mails.

## NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



## PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
HAKATA MARU.....	MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANT- WERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, F. L. Sommer.....	TO-MORROW, 15th Dec., at Noon.
KAGOSHIMA MARU.....	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.....	THURSDAY, 1st Dec., at 4 P.M.
YAWATA MARU.....	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO- HAMA.....	SATURDAY, 23rd Dec., at 4 P.M.
FUTAMI MARU.....	MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, J. Thom.....	FRIDAY, 29th Dec., at 4 P.M.
AWA MARU.....	MARSEILLES, LONDON, and ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID.....	FRIDAY, 29th Dec., at 4 P.M.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's  
Local Branch Office at No. 7, Praya Central.

A. S. MIHARA,

Manager.

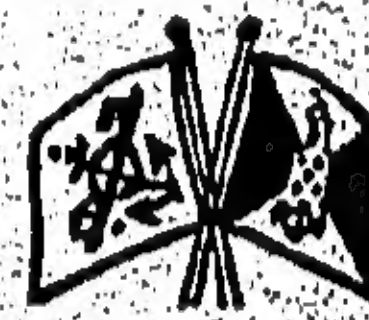
Hongkong, 5th December, 1899.

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STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
*SARNIA.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG.....	About 7th January
*Fuchs.....	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	Passage.
AMBRIA.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG.....	About 15th January
Burmester.....	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	Passage.
WITTENBERG.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG.....	About 20th January
Nadsen.....	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	Passage.
*SILESIA.....	MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG.....	About 30th January
Beltrius.....	(LONDON with transshipment in HAMBURG)	Passage.

\* These Steamers have Superior Accommodation for Passengers and carry a Doctor and  
a Stewardess.

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Agents.

## TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO, VIA INLAND SEA  
OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

NIPPON MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki,  
Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Hono-  
lulu).....

Wednesday, 3rd Jan., 1900, at Noon.

AMERICA MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki,  
Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Hono-  
lulu).....

Saturday, 27th Jan., 1900, at Noon.

HONGKONG MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki,  
Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama & Hono-  
lulu).....

Thursday, 22nd Feb., 1900, at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship

"NIPPON MARU"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA  
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Steamers of this line pass through the IN-  
LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONO-  
LULU, and Passengers are allowed to break  
their journey at any point en route.

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lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of  
the United States or Canada. Rates may be ob-  
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Hongkong, 27th September, 1898. [43]

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No. 4, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1899. [18a]

## VISITORS AT THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

Adams, Mrs. C. Mayston, Mr. J. Y.

Aiken, Mr. J. H. McKill, Mr. W. E.

Angus, Mrs. John McKay, Mr. T. D. and

Bailey, Mr. W. S. valet

Barlow, Mr. B. J. McLeod, Mr. &amp; Mrs. E.

Berthold, Mr. L. Menton, Mr. and Mrs.

Bertrand, Mr. G. and maid

Bewick, Mr. R. M. Merton (2), Misses

Black, Mr. W. M. Meser, Mr. T. S.

Blackburn, Com. R. N. Mitchell, Mr. Chas. J.

Bostelman, Mr. &amp; Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. F.

Bottenheim, Mr. and Mrs. Murphy, Mr. E. O.

Mrs. A. H. Naylor, Mr. C.

Bowack, Mr. Geo. O'Neill, Mr. J. J.

Branch, Mr. B. Pando, Mr. M.

Branch, Mr. E. Parritt, Mr. W.

Brown, Mr. J. V. Oswald, Mr. and Mrs.

Brownlow, Mr. E. O. T. C.

Brusse, Mr. G. Pepperman, Mr. W. L.

Burgdorf, Mr. T. F. Perry, Mr. J. C.

Busch, Mr. and Mrs. Busch, Mr. A. B.

Carter, Mr. A. B. Reeves, Mr. S.

Carr, Dr. and Mrs. F. C. Reeves, Mr. S.

Crenar, Mr. J. P. Richardson, Mr. and

Cunliffe, Miss Mrs. C. E.

Davis, Miss Richardson, Miss

Debris, Mr. E. Richardson, Mr. G. E.

Delanoble, Mr. Robins, Mr. S. J.

Delanoble, Mr. P. C. Rodder, Mr. Thos.

Douglas, Mr. P. H. Rolph, Mr. K. T.

Drew, Mr. C. H. Konarich, Mr.

Drum, Miss Sawyer, Mr. E.

Eckman, Mr. Selbig, Miss R.

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Fuekel, Mr. W. Hamilton

Gibson, Mr. &amp; Mrs. K. Soa, Mr.

Gieson, Mr. and Mrs. Spate, Mr. G.

Goddard, Capt. Sperry, Mrs. and Miss

Gott, Mr. L. S. Jeger, Mr. M.

Goldman, Mr. H. Tanagawa, Mr. K.

Griffin, Major and Mrs. Tanai, Mr. C.

Groves, Mrs. Taylor, Mr. B. H.

Grubb, Mr. W. A. Terry, Mrs. B. J.

Hall, Mr. R. Terry, Misses (4)

Hall, Mr. S. Terry, Mr. J. E.

Holcomb, Mr. C. H. Thomas, Mr. C.

Home, Staff-Surg. and Thurnan, Mr. H.

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Howard, Mr. T. Trignabai, Mr.

Jackson, Mrs. Vanuxen, Mrs. F. W.

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Kahn, Mr. E. A. Vaughan, Mr. G.

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Mason, Mr. Willard, Mr. E. S.

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Zuniga, Mr. J. M. do

## The Share Market.

## LATEST QUOTATIONS.

(December 14th.)

Companies.	Paid up Capital.	Latest quotation.
<b>Banks.</b>		
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	\$125	349 3/4 premium
The Bank of China & Japan, Limited (Preference)	£ 5	Nominal
The Bank of China & Japan, Limited (Ordinary)	£ 4	£1 buyers
The Bank of China & Japan, Limited (Deferred)	£ 1	£5.5 buyers
National Bank of China, Ltd. Founders Do.	£ 1	£30
		£ 8 3/4

<b>Marine Insurances.</b>		
Union Ins. Society of Canton, Ltd.	\$ 50	\$240
China Traders' Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	\$58
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	£ 25	Tls. 190
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Ltd.	\$ 60	\$110
Canton Ins. Office, Ltd.	\$ 50	\$130
Straits Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$24
<b>Fire Insurances.</b>		
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$327 1/2
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$88 buyers
<b>Shipping.</b>		
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Limited	\$ 15	\$31
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	£ 10	\$82
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$90
Douglas' Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$52
China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd. (Pref.)	£ 10	£9.15 buyers
China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd. (Ord.)	£ 10	£9 buyers
China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd. (Ord.)	£ 5	£5
Star Ferry Co., Ltd. ("Shell") Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	£ 100	£240

<b>Refineries.</b>		
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$121
Luxon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$47
<b>Mining.</b>		
Punjab Mining Co., Ltd.	\$ 6	\$7 1/2
Punjab Mining Preference Shares	\$ 1	\$1.30
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	Fcs. 250	\$320
Queens Mining Co., Ltd.	25 cts.	\$9.40
Jelicho Mining and Trading Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	\$12 1/2
Raub Allion Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	15s. 10d.	\$62
Olivers Freshhold Mines, Ltd.	\$ 5	\$9
Olivers Freshhold Mines, Ltd.	\$ 4 1/2	\$6 1/2
Great Eastern & Caledonian Gold Mining Co., Ltd. (Preference)	\$ 5	\$2.80
	\$ 1	\$2.50 sellers

<b>Docks, Wharves and Godowns.</b>		
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$125	52 1/2 %
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$85
Wanchai Warehouse & Storage Co., Ltd.	\$ 37 1/2	\$45 buyers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 6 1/2	\$9
<b>Lands, Hotels and Buildings.</b>		
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$9.25 buyers
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$112 1/2
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 30	\$38
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$32
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$118
Humphreys' Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$9 1/2

<b>Cotton Mills.</b>		
Hongkong Cotton Spinning & Weaving & Dyking Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$58
Ewo Cotton Spinning & W. Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 66
International Cotton Mfg. Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 70
Laaukung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 73
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls. 500	Tls. 350
Yahloong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 58
<b>Miscellaneous.</b>		
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$26 1/2
China-Borneo Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	\$10
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	\$ 10	\$15.75 ex div.
Waking, Limited	\$ 10	\$10
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	\$ 10	\$10
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	\$ 2	\$2
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Ltd.	£ 10	\$130
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$99
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	\$42
Hkong Ice Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	\$125
Hkong High Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$155
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	\$ 6	\$6
Hongkong and China Bakery Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$25
Campbell, Moore and Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$15 buyers
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	£ 1	£1 nominal
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	\$ 4	\$2
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	\$ 10	\$10
Carmichael & Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$8
Tebrau Planting Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	\$5 per share
Tebrau Planting Co., Ltd.	\$ 4	\$4

<b>Benjamin, Kelly &amp; Potts, Share Brokers.</b>		
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<b>OPIMUM QUOTATIONS.</b>		
Hongkong, 14th December.		
New Pains	915	per chest.
New Benares	905	
New Yala	870	per picul.
Old Malwa	910	
Pardian, paper tied	925	

<b>EXCHANGE.</b>		
Hongkong, 14th December.		
ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer, 1/11 1/16		
Bank Bills, on demand 1/11 1/16		
Credits, 4 months' sight 2/05 1/16		
D'Iments, 4 months' sight 2/05 1/16		
ON BERLIN, Bank Bills, on demand 2/50		
Credits, 4 months' sight 2/50		
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand 48		
Credits, 30 days' sight 48 1/2		
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer 146 1/2		
On demand 146 1/2		
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer 71		
Private, 30 days' sight 71 1/2		
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T. 51 1/2 per cent. prem.		
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate 51.20		
Gold Leaf 100 touch per taël 53.20		
Bar Silver 27 1/2		
Dollars 44 per cent. prem.		

<b>VESSLS IN PORT.</b>		
<b>Steamers.</b>		
CHINA, American steamer, 3,187, W. B. Seabury, 9th Dec., San Francisco 9th Nov., and Shanghai 6th Dec., Mails and General.—P. M. S. S. Co.		
CHOWFA, British steamer, 1,055, J. Williamson, 12th Dec., Bangkok 2nd Dec., and Ang Hin 4th, General.—Butterfield & Swire.		
CLARA, German steamer, 675, A. Hansen, 30th Nov., Haiphong 26th Nov., Rice.—Jessen & Co.		
EMERALD, Japanese steamer, 5,904, C. A. Lee, R.N.R., 2nd Dec., Vancouver 10th Nov., and Shanghai 30th, Mails and General.—C. P. R. Co.		
ESMERALDA, British steamer, 966, A. R. W. Cobban, 11th Dec., Manila 9th Dec., General.—Shewan, Tomes & Co.		
GERMANIA, German steamer, 1,774, A. Möller, 11th Dec., Bangkok 3rd Dec., Rice.—Jessen & Co.		
GLENLOCH, British steamer, 2,997, James McGregor, 13th Dec., London 20th Oct., and Singapore 7th Dec., General.—McGregor Bros. and Gow.		
HAKATA MARU, Japanese steamer, 3,813, F. L. Sommer, 13th Dec., Moji 8th Dec., General.—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.		
HANOI, French steamer, 739, Pannier, 12th Dec., Haiphong and Hoihow 11th Dec., General.—A. R. Marty.		
HOHENZOLLERN, German steamer, 2,039, H. Kirchhoff, 13th Nov., Yokohama 27th Oct., Kobe 31st, and Nagasaki 2nd Nov., General.—Melchers & Co.		
HOIHAO, French steamer, 509, J. C. Gerard, 13th Dec., Fakhio 11th Dec., General.—A. R. Marty.		
JAPAN, British steamer, 2,795, G. K. Wright, R.N.R., 13th Dec., Yokohama 2nd Dec., General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.		
KONG BENG, British steamer, 862, F. W. Joslin, 13th Dec., Haiphong 11th Dec., Rice and General.—Butterfield & Swire.		
KONIG ALBERT, German steamer, 10,600, O. Cippers, 13th Dec., Yokohama 4th Dec., Mails and General.—Melchers & Co.		
KONIGSBERG, German steamer, 3,135, E. Christiansen, 12th Dec., Moji 7th Dec., General.—Christiansen & Co.		
KWANG LAY, Chinese steamer, 1,591, R. L. Lincoln, 13th Dec., Canton 13th Dec., General.—C. M. S. N. Co.		
LOONGSANG, British steamer, 1,092, Weigall, 11th Dec., Canton 18th Dec., Rice.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
MENMUIR, British steamer, 1,980, S. J. George, 6th Dec., Sourabaya and Cheribon 25th Nov., Sugar.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
MONKUT, British steamer, 859, N. G. Majer, 12th Dec., Bangkok 1st Dec., and Swatow 11th, General.—Butterfield & Swire.		
NANMO, German steamer, 983, Th. Lehmann, 3rd Dec., Canton 3rd Dec., General.—Siemens & Co.		
PHRA CHULA CHOM KLAO, British steamer, 1,012, E. McEllen, 9th Dec., Bangkok 30th Nov., and Aughin 2nd Dec., Rice.—Yuen Fat Hong.		
QUARTA, German steamer, 1,146, H. Johansson, 10th Dec., Bangkok 29th Nov., and An Hin 2nd Dec., Rice.—Sander, Weller & Co.		
ROHILLA, British steamer, 3,501, S. de B. Lecker, R.N.R., 21st Nov., Yokohama 14th Nov., General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.		
TAMUI MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,037, K. Sobajima, 13th Dec., Amoy and Swatow 12th Dec., General.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.		
TRITOS, German steamer, 1,033, P. Lassen, 8th Dec., Saigon 3rd Dec., Rice and General.—Siemens & Co.		
TRIUMPH, German steamer, 675, A. Rieck, 6th Dec., Haiphong and Hoihow 5th Dec., General.—Jessen & Co.		

<b>Sailing Vessels.</b>		
ADOLPH OBERG, American ship, 1,302, Armsbury, 17th Oct., New York 5th May, Case Oil.—Standard Oil Co.		
JOHN McDONALD, American ship, 2,128, Stern, 25th Nov., New York 25th June, Oil.—Standard Oil Co.		
MARY L. CUSHING, American ship, 1,549, Pendleton, 1st Oct., New York 16th May, Case Oil.—Order.		
REUCE, American ship, 1,828, D. Whitmore, 3rd Oct., New York 30th May, Case Oil.—Standard Oil Co.		
SIMLA, British 4-masted bark, 2,087, Huestis, 25th Aug., Cebu and Philippine Islands 22nd Aug., Ballast.—Order.		
STATE OF MAINE, American ship, 1,500, Colcord, 9th Oct., New York 20th May, Kerosine Oil.—Standard Oil Co.		
VALE OF DEON, British bark, 669, J. Peterson, 1st Dec., Rajah, Sarawak, N.B. 15th Nov., Hard-wood.—Order.		
WARATAH, British schooner, 25, Haynes, 13rd Sept., Takow 15th Sept., Ballast.—Mr. F. W. Hall.		
WM. H. CONNER, American ship, 1,424, J. T. Erskine, 14th Oct., New York 7th May, and Rio Janeiro 11th July, Kerosine.—Standard Oil Co.		

<b>HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS ON THE CHINA STATION.</b>		
Hongkong, December 14th, 1899.		
Alacrity, despatch-vessel, 1,725 tons, to 6-pd. g.l. guns, 5,000 h.p., Commander A. H. Smith-Dorrien, Hongkong.		
Algol, sloop, 1,050 tons, 6 guns, 1,100 h.p., Comdr. E. J. W. Slade, Hongkong.		
Aurora, British schooner, 5,600 tons, Capt. E. H. Bayly, Hongkong.		
Barfleur, 1st class battleship, 13,000 tons, 14 guns, 13,163 h.p. Captain Hon. S. C. J. Colville, C.B., Hongkong.		
Bonaventure, 2nd class cruiser, 4,360 tons, 18 guns, 9,000 h.p., Capt. R. H. J. Montgomerie, C.B., R.N., Shanghai.		
Brisk, British cruiser, 1,770 tons, 6 guns, 5,600 h.p., Capt. W. W. K. Chow, Hongkong.		
Daphne, sloop, 1,100 tons, 8 guns, 2,000 h.p., Comdr. C. W. Winton-Ingram, Hankow.		
Endymion, British cruiser, 7,500 tons, Capt. G. A. Callaghan, en route Wei-hai-wei.		
Eth, coast defence gunboat, 363 tons, 3 guns, 200 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. C. Chadwick, Ichang.		
Fame, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 350 tons, 5,400 h.p., Lieut.-Com. W. J. Keyes, Hongkong.		
Finghary, 3rd class gunboat, 455 tons, 4 guns, 350 h.p., Hongkong.		

# EXCHANGE

Hongkong, 14th December.

ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer, 1/11 9/16	
Bank Bills, on demand 1/11 11/16	
Credits, 4 months' sight 1/10 5/16	
D'ments, 4 months' sight 1/10 9/16	
ON BERLIN, (demand) .....	M. 203
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand .....	2/50
Credits, 4 months' sight .....	2/50
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand .....	2/55
Credits, 30 days' sight .....	481
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer .....	146
On demand .....	146 1/4
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer .....	71
Private, 30 days' sight .....	72
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T., .....	3 1/2 per cent. prem.
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate .....	\$10.18
Gold Leaf no touch, per tael .....	\$53.20
Bar Silver .....	\$27 1/2
Dollars .....	4 1/2 per cent. prem.

Handy, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 250 tons, 6 guns, 4,000 h.p., Hongkong.	
Hart, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 260 tons, 6 guns, 4,000 h.p., Hongkong.	
Humber, storeship, 1,640 tons, 800 h.p., Com. H. J. Davidson, Hongkong.	
Iphigenia, 2nd class cruiser, 3,600 tons, 8 guns, 7,000 h.p., Capt. H. N. Dudding, Hongkong.	
Lima, gun-vessel, 756 tons, 2 heavy guns, 4,000 h.p., Commander W. W. Smythe, Wuchow.	
Orlando, British cruiser, 5,600 tons, Capt. J. H. Burke, Hongkong.	
Peacock, 1st class gunboat, 755 tons, 6 guns, 1,200 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. P. S. St. John, Manila.	
Phoenix, British gunboat, 1,015 tons, Comdr. G. Gordon, Hongkong.	
Pipmy, 1st class gunboat, 755 tons, 6 guns, 1,200 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. J. F. E. Green, Wei-hai-wei.	
Plover, 1st class gunboat, 453 tons, 6 guns, 1,200 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. O. V. de M. Cowper, Manila.	
Redpole, British gunboat, 805 tons, Capt. F. F. Haworth Booth, Shanghai.	
Sandpiper, British river-gunboat, 2 guns, Lt.-Comdr. Carr, on the West River.	
Swift, gun-vessel, 756 tons, 2 heavy guns, 4,000 h.p., 870 h.p., Hongkong.	
Tamar, receiving ship, 4,600 tons, Comdr. Powell, Hongkong.	
Twined, coast defence gunboat, 1,363 tons, 3 guns, 200 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. H. E. Hillman, on the West River.	